



# Patrick Henry PTA Year in Review

2016 – 2017

**Thank you Henry Families & Friends!**

We appreciate your support, donations, and dedication  
to the Patrick Henry PTA.

**We did a great job this year!**

## PTA GRANTS & SUPPORT

This year, the PTA gave more than \$21,000 in grants and support to each grade level, specials and school-wide programs to directly support and enrich the curriculum and help provide new approaches to learning.

- Deaf & Hard of Hearing Program: Osmo system and hearing aid batteries.
- Communications Program: Field trip to Clemyjontri.
- ESOL/HILT Program: Support for family literacy nights.
- Special Education: Matching Skills Building grant.
- Gifted: Odyssey of the Mind and books.
- Kindergarten: Kennedy Center field trip.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Hidden Oaks Nature Center field trip.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Bull Run Native Lands field trip.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: National Building Museum field trip.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Williamsburg overnight field trip.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Smithsonian Environmental Research Center field trip.
- Art: Storage cabinet and art supplies.
- Music: Instruments and accessories and Theater Club production supplies.
- Theater Club: Kennedy Center field trip.
- PE: First Tee Golf Equipment and Sqords.
- Spanish: Performance by Latin Grammy award winner Uno, Dos, Tres Andres.
- Exemplary Program: Microscopes.
- IT: Google reality devices and Osmo systems.

## APPRECIATION

The PTA appreciates the staff at Henry by supporting teacher luncheons during conference days; coordinating activities for teacher appreciation week and other recognition days; recognizing staff on special occasions; recognizing the custodial staff for their hard work; and providing each teacher with a \$50 start-of-the-year gift card to furnish their classrooms. Funds are also provided to the Principal to support activities such as the Honor/BUG role, extra field trip buses and other school needs throughout the year.

## PROGRAMS/EVENTS/INITIATIVES

This year, the PTA spent more than \$20,000 to provide direct support for programs, events, initiatives and equipment purchases to support our students learning, our community and our school.

- Healthy Lifestyles: Partnered with VA Cooperative Extension and Master Food Volunteers taught students about healthy foods and good nutrition.
- Agriculture in the Classroom: Composting program materials and books and cold frame.
- Principal's Wish List: Flexible seating for classrooms.
- Community Giving: Snowflake Gift Drive, gift cards for families in need, scholarships for summer school, clothing closet donations.
- Start-of-School: School Supplies Kits, Target gift cards for teachers, kindergarten play dates.
- Henry Spirit Wear: Two sales during the year.
- After-School Enrichment: Fall, Winter & Spring classes in art, music, fitness, sports, language, science and more.
- Read-a-thon: Raised \$16,500 while encouraging students to read!
- National PTA Reflections program: Encouraged and rewarded arts learning.
- Book Fair: Proceeds supported the library.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Promotion and yearbook graduation gifts.
- Back to School Picnic: An annual tradition with attendance exceeding 500 people this year.
- Silver Diner Night: Raised \$1,100!
- Silent Auction & Movie Night: Raised more than \$20,000 - a new record!
- International Night: More than 200 families attended and visited 20 country tables hosted by 30 families and enjoyed a fashion show and performance featuring even more families.

**We achieved a new membership record: 271 PTA members this year!**